

# Public Health

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	Budget	FTEs
Community Health & Wellness	12,510,195	48.7
Environmental Health	6,734,420	34.9
Epidemiology	11,623,758	30.6
Health Department Administr.	5,525,257	29.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>36,393,630</b>	<b>143.6</b>

## Summary

Public Health category includes the following departments: Environmental Health, Community Health and Wellness, Epidemiology and Administration. The Department of Public Health was created at the beginning of 2003, when the Southwest Washington Health District became a part of the county. The county provides public-health related services to Skamania County on a contractual basis.

Public Health is organized as a single "super-department," with a director appointed by and reporting to the County Administrator. The "departments" listed on the left and further described on the following pages are divisions within this department. These departments are grouped under a single director because they perform activities which are interrelated and require cross-departmental coordination.

## Current Issues

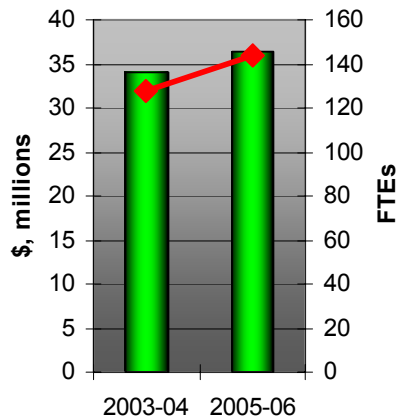
A biennial contract with Skamania County to provide public-health related services has been renewed for an additional two-year period.

The department will be moving to a new building, Public Health Center, early in 2006. The departments of Community Services, Public Health and various not-for profit organizations that provide health or social services to the public will be located in one building.

The current budget contains a one-time increase in the General Fund support of \$500,000 to help reconcile increasing costs of providing public health related services and not so fast increasing revenues. The department is currently reviewing its internal practices and service offerings to ensure the most efficient way of operations to benefit citizens of Clark County.

*8% of all county positions reside in the Fiscal Entities function. The \$36.4 million budget represents 4.8% of the total County budget for 2005-2006.*

## Staffing and Spending



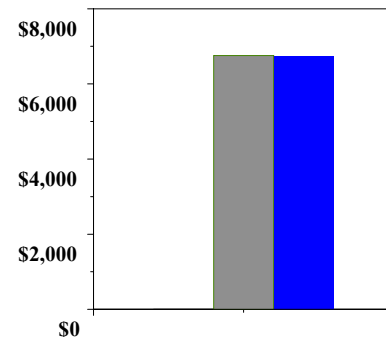
## Department Detail:

## Environmental Health

**\$6,734,420**

The EH Division consists of two major areas of focus, Consumer Protection, and Resource Protection. Consumer Resources implements two programs, Food and Water, to protect the direct receiver of services. Resource Protection includes two program areas also, Liquid Waste and Solid Waste, which are implemented to prevent degradation of ground and surface waters.

Expenditure History (\$ in thousands)



Actual	Actual	Budget
01/02	03/04	05/06

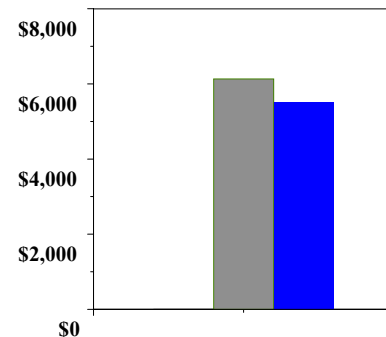
Department Expenditures	Actual 2001/2002	Actual 2003/2004	Budget 2005/2006
Salaries, Regular	\$0	\$3,592,987	\$3,300,982
Benefits	\$0	\$733,075	\$1,024,945
Allowances	\$0	\$18	\$0
Overtime/Comp Time	\$0	\$12,662	\$0
Supplies	\$0	\$186,139	\$106,236
Temporary Services	\$0	\$147,223	\$18,000
Professional Services	\$0	\$174,961	\$87,826
Travel and Training	\$0	\$93,684	\$48,894
Other Services	\$0	\$403,255	\$625,617
Internal Charges	\$0	\$0	\$594,409
Transfers	\$0	\$1,407,351	\$927,511
Capital Expenditures	\$0	\$4,835	\$0
<b>Dept Total:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$6,756,188</b>	<b>\$6,734,420</b>
<b>%Change from previous</b>		<b>0.00%</b>	<b>-0.32%</b>

Program Expenditures	Actual 2001/2002	Actual 2003/2004	Budget 2005/2006
Counter	\$0	\$1,308,115	\$392,960
Bioterrorism	\$0	\$1,047,917	\$1,290,070
Environmental Health Support	\$0	\$1,419,397	\$1,878,448
Food	\$0	\$1,564,050	\$1,505,519
Liquid Waste	\$0	\$675,785	\$752,239
Solid Waste	\$0	\$740,925	\$915,184
Water	\$0	\$740,925	\$915,184
<b>Dept Total:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$6,756,188</b>	<b>\$6,734,420</b>
<b>%Change from previous period:</b>		<b>0.00%</b>	<b>-0.32%</b>

Staffing (FTE's)	Actual 2001/2002	Actual 2003/2004	Budget 2005/2006
Full Time Equivalents	0.00	30.40	34.50

**Department Detail:****Health Department Administration****\$5,525,257**

The goal of Administration/Finance is to provide support services and fiscal responsibility and oversight for the personal health and environmental health program units of the health department. We provide critical support services, such as fiscal and audit oversight, budget development and management, grant compliance, accounts receivable, accounts payable/purchasing, payroll, records management and reception functions.

**Expenditure History (\$ in thousands)**

<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<u>01/02</u>	<u>03/04</u>	<u>05/06</u>

<u>Department Expenditures</u>	<u>Actual 2001/2002</u>	<u>Actual 2003/2004</u>	<u>Budget 2005/2006</u>
Salaries, Regular	\$0	\$2,097,523	\$3,108,795
Benefits	\$0	\$435,012	\$640,847
Allowances	\$0	\$2,200	\$0
Overtime/Comp Time	\$0	\$31,597	\$0
Supplies	\$0	\$244,829	\$51,701
Temporary Services	\$0	\$149,094	\$100,000
Professional Services	\$0	\$428,291	\$279,511
Travel and Training	\$0	\$16,395	\$32,684
Other Services	\$0	\$412,997	\$735,098
Internal Charges	\$0	\$1,767,101	\$128,668
Transfers	\$0	\$519,142	\$447,953
Capital Expenditures	\$0	\$27,514	\$0

**Dept Total:**                      **\$0**    **\$6,131,695**    **\$5,525,257**

**%Change from previous**                      **0.00%**    **-9.89%**

<u>Staffing (FTE's)</u>	<u>Actual 2001/2002</u>	<u>Actual 2003/2004</u>	<u>Budget 2005/2006</u>
Full Time Equivalents	0.00	20.70	23.70

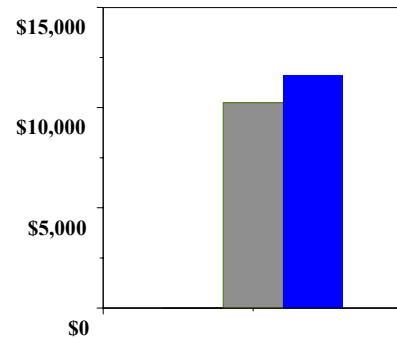
<u>Program Expenditures</u>	<u>Actual 2001/2002</u>	<u>Actual 2003/2004</u>	<u>Budget 2005/2006</u>
Health Department	\$0	\$4,420,790	\$3,636,965
Finance	\$0	\$951,674	\$1,001,225
Management	\$0	\$759,231	\$887,067
Vital Records	\$0		

**Dept Total:**                      **\$0**    **\$6,131,695**    **\$5,525,257**

**%Change from previous period:**                      **0.00%**    **-9.89%**

**Department Detail:****Epidemiology****\$11,623,758**

The epidemiology and clinical services department includes three units, Clinical Services, Infectious Disease and Assessment and Research. The clinical services unit provides refugee health screening, family planning, sexually transmitted disease screening, treatment and partner follow-up as well as immunizations for adults and children. Clinic staff are also responsible for facilitating access to health care for uninsured and Medicaid eligible clients. The infectious disease unit is responsible for surveillance and investigation of all notifiable disease including tuberculosis. The assessment and research unit is responsible for the collection, analysis and dissemination of key health indicators and Health Department program evaluation and performance measurement.

**Expenditure History (\$ in thousands)**

<b><u>Department Expenditures</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2001/2002</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2003/2004</u></b>	<b><u>Budget 2005/2006</u></b>
Salaries, Regular	\$0	\$2,735,837	\$3,322,090
Benefits	\$0	\$606,533	\$1,160,332
Overtime/Comp Time	\$0	\$16,911	\$5,000
Supplies	\$0	\$467,659	\$337,445
Temporary Services	\$0	\$56,989	\$28,000
Professional Services	\$0	\$316,416	\$226,081
Travel and Training	\$0	\$26,904	\$35,255
Other Services	\$0	\$250,794	\$516,619
Internal Charges	\$0	\$0	\$745,088
Transfers	\$0	\$5,767,616	\$5,247,848
<b><u>Dept Total:</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$10,245,659</u></b>	<b><u>\$11,623,758</u></b>
<b><u>%Change from previous</u></b>		<b><u>0.00%</u></b>	<b><u>13.45%</u></b>

<b><u>Actual 01/02</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 03/04</u></b>	<b><u>Budget 05/06</u></b>
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<b><u>Program Expenditures</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2001/2002</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2003/2004</u></b>	<b><u>Budget 2005/2006</u></b>
Assessment and Research	\$0	\$738,466	\$1,052,334
Clinical services	\$0	\$6,385,241	\$7,005,168
Family Planning	\$0	\$2,025,232	\$2,346,234
Historical Expenditures -- EPICS	\$0	\$78	\$0
Infectious Disease	\$0	\$1,096,642	\$1,220,022
<b><u>Dept Total:</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$10,245,659</u></b>	<b><u>\$11,623,758</u></b>
<b><u>%Change from previous period:</u></b>		<b><u>0.00%</u></b>	<b><u>13.45%</u></b>

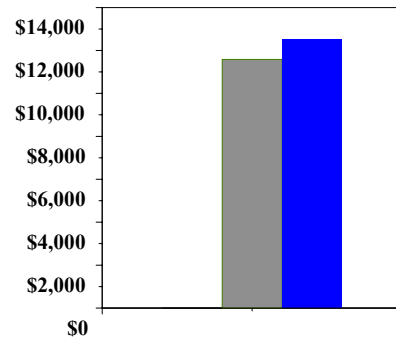
<b><u>Staffing (FTE's)</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2001/2002</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2003/2004</u></b>	<b><u>Budget 2005/2006</u></b>
Full Time Equivalents	0.00	26.35	31.00

**Department Detail:****Community Health and Wellness****\$12,510,195**

The Community Health and Wellness Division provides research-based public health services to improve and protect the well-being

of populations identified to be most at risk for poor health outcomes. Negative health outcomes currently of highest concern are: disease and death due to tobacco use or exposure; premature births and/or low birthweight babies; delayed growth and development of babies and young children; and HIV and AIDS. Populations most often reached through division activities include pregnant women with specific health risks; infants and young children with specific health risks; persons using or exposed to tobacco;

Expenditure History (\$ in thousands)



<b><u>Department Expenditures</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2001/2002</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2003/2004</u></b>	<b><u>Budget 2005/2006</u></b>
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Salaries, Regular	\$0	\$5,169,029	\$5,091,713
Benefits	\$0	\$1,197,981	\$1,644,962
Allowances	\$0	\$94	\$0
Overtime/Comp Time	\$0	\$17,340	\$0
Supplies	\$0	\$346,024	\$398,363
Temporary Services	\$0	\$15,988	\$3,396
Professional Services	\$0	\$338,541	\$131,174
Travel and Training	\$0	\$102,543	\$103,585
Other Services	\$0	\$650,505	\$889,996
Internal Charges	\$0	\$0	\$1,101,062
Transfers	\$0	\$3,743,335	\$3,145,944

<b><u>Dept Total:</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$11,581,379</u></b>	<b><u>\$12,510,195</u></b>
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<b><u>Staffing (FTE's)</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2001/2002</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2003/2004</u></b>	<b><u>Budget 2005/2006</u></b>
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Full Time Equivalents	0.00	48.75	53.85
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<b><u>Program Expenditures</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2001/2002</u></b>	<b><u>Actual 2003/2004</u></b>	<b><u>Budget 2005/2006</u></b>
Contract with Skamania County	\$0	\$1,130,016	\$1,346,433
HIV/AIDS	\$0	\$1,034,979	\$897,831
Coordination & Care: Consortium			
HIV/AIDS	\$0	\$2,344,961	\$2,891,209
Coordination & Care: Region 6			
Health Promotion	\$0	\$95,556	\$2,006
Health Promotion: HIV/AIDS	\$0	\$334,665	\$90,212
Prevention			
Health Promotion: Oral Health	\$0	\$202,234	\$198,068
Health Promotion: Tobacco	\$0	\$836,554	\$753,706
Prev./Control			
Parent and Child Health	\$0	\$4,141,366	\$3,396,443
Women, Infants and Children (WIC)	\$0	\$1,461,270	\$2,934,287

<b><u>Dept Total:</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$11,581,601</u></b>	<b><u>\$12,510,195</u></b>
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**Program Detail:****Liquid Waste****\$1,505,519**

The Liquid Waste Program focuses on protecting groundwater and preventing illness, via proper treatment of domestic sewage. The staff evaluates soils and plan designs, and approves installations of septic systems. The staff also reviews proposals for new development before land development is approved. Proper maintenance and operation of septic systems is rapidly becoming a central theme for the program.

**Program Detail:****Counter Bioterrorism****\$392,960**

Develop improved capacity and infrastructure for public health preparedness and response to terrorism.

**Program Detail:**

## **Food**

**\$1,878,448**

The focus of the food program is the prevention of food borne illness. Routine inspections are carried out in food service establishments, groceries, lounges, bakeries, temporary food events, schools and institutions. Education and consultation are the preferred activities of the program. 10,000 + food handler education certificates (FH Cards) are given out each year.

### **Program Detail:**

## **Solid Waste**

**\$752,239**

The approval and oversight solid waste and hazardous waste activities are the focus of this program. Staff assures that solid waste, including hazardous waste, is stored, collected and disposed of properly to minimize the contamination of ground and surface water. Site inspections are conducted routinely at active and closed landfills, transfer stations, recycling stations, composting facilities. Staff responds to request from the public regarding nuisances and illegal dumping. Known sites of hazardous waste disposal are monitored and illegal drug labs are investigated in conjunction with local law enforcement personnel.

### **Program Detail:**

## **Water**

**\$915,184**

Past problems and practices present a particularly pressing predicament for program personnel. The propensity of pollutants penetrate soils, percolating into the precariously permeable pools of potable water, posing a possible pathological problems for people both public and private.

### **Program Detail:**

## **Environmental Health Support**

**\$1,290,070**

### **Program Detail:**

## **Vital Records**

**\$887,067**

### **Program Detail:**

## **Management**

**\$1,001,225**

### **Program Detail:**

## **Health Department Finance**

**\$3,636,965**

### **Program Detail:**

## **Assessment and Research**

**\$1,052,334**

The Assessment and Research unit provides services in order to better understand health issues in our community. Legal authority for providing these services comes from RCW 43.70.520. Further support for providing these services comes from the Washington State Public Health Improvement Plan. One of the key functions of this unit is to monitor, analyze and report disease trends in our community. In addition, this unit is critical in providing technical assistance with epidemiological investigations including infectious disease outbreaks. Internally, the Assessment and Research staff provides leadership to other units in program evaluation efforts.

### **Program Detail:**

## **Historical Expenditures -- EPICS**

**\$0**

### **Program Detail:**

## **Family Planning**

**\$2,346,234**

The family planning unit provides reproductive health services directed at the control of sexually transmitted infectious diseases in our jurisdiction as mandated by RCW 70.05.060 (Powers and duties of local board of health) and RCW 70.05.070 (Local health officer--Powers and duties). This includes sexually transmitted disease testing, treatment, education and counseling. In addition, the unit provides family planning services including contraceptive services, pregnancy testing and counseling to prevent unintended pregnancies.

### **Program Detail:**

## **Clinical services**

**\$7,005,168**

The clinical services unit provides services directed at the control of infectious diseases in our jurisdiction as mandated by RCW 70.05.060 (Powers and duties of local board of health) and RCW 70.05.070 (Local health officer--Powers and duties). This unit serves our community by providing immunizations to adults and children, community immunization education, HIV counseling and testing, health screening for refugees, access to health care by assisting families and pregnant women enroll in the Washington State health insurance plans, and referrals to community providers. In addition, staff distributes free Washington State-supplied vaccines to community health care providers and provides education around the storage, handling and administration of these vaccines. In 2001 the program distributed 135,857 doses of childhood vaccines to local providers and directly administered 10,947 doses of childhood vaccines to health district clients.

### **Program Detail:**

## **Infectious Disease**

**\$1,220,022**

The infectious disease unit provides services directed at the control infectious diseases in our jurisdiction as mandated by RCW 70.05.060 (Powers and duties of local board of health) and RCW 70.05.070 (Local health officer--Powers and duties). This includes disease surveillance, case investigation, outbreak investigation, health education and prevention counseling for notifiable conditions. The types of disease to which these units respond include tuberculosis, meningococcal disease, E. coli O157:H7, other food-borne illnesses, and vaccine-preventable diseases. This unit is also responsible for monitoring and responding to potential bioterrorist events.

**Program Detail:**

**Contract with Skamania County**

**\$1,346,433**

Contract to provide public health services to residents of Skamania County

**Program Detail:**

**Health Promotion: HIV/AIDS Prevention**

**\$90,212**

Supported through dedicated Omnibus, CDC and other prevention funds, and under the guidance of the Region 6 Coordinator, health promotion staff work to prevent the spread of HIV and AIDS, primarily through a harm reduction model. Efforts are targeted to those populations most at risk: injection drug users and men who have sex with men.

**Program Detail:**

**Health Promotion: Tobacco Prev./Control**

**\$753,706**

Supported through dedicated funds for tobacco prevention and control, and under the guidance of the Washington State Tobacco Prevention Program, health promotion staff work with community partners to prevent initiation and support cessation of use of tobacco products. Emphasis is placed on populations of greatest or most urgent impact: children and young people, pregnant women, and minority persons.

**Program Detail:**

**Health Promotion**

**\$2,006**

The Health Promotion Program provides technical support to assure that health education / health promotion efforts are designed and implemented for the highest effectiveness. The Health Promotion Program also carries out direct prevention / promotion efforts to reduce and prevent tobacco use and the spread of HIV and AIDS.

**Program Detail:**

**HIV/AIDS Coordination & Care: Consortium**

**\$897,831**

**Program Detail:**

**Parent and Child Health**

**\$3,396,443**

Public Health Nurses, Nutritionists, and Social Workers provide support to pregnant and new parents. Information about pregnancy, health care, child development, and parenting are included, as well as community resource information to support healthy families.

**Program Detail:**

**Health Promotion: Oral Health**

**\$198,068**

**Program Detail:**

**HIV/AIDS Coordination & Care: Region 6**

**\$2,891,209**

Designated as lead for the 11 county AIDSNET Region 6, the HIV/AIDS Care and Coordination Program provides technical support and/or oversight to prevention and care programs supported through Omnibus, CDC, and Ryan White Care Act funds. Activities include coordination of regional prevention and care planning, participation in state planning, and support to local programs and consortia.

**Program Detail:**

**Women, Infants and Children (WIC)**

**\$2,934,287**

The Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program supports good nutrition for pregnant and breastfeeding women, their infants and young children through nutrition education and provision of food vouchers for purchase of healthy foods. Participation in the WIC program increases positive health outcomes of pregnancy and child growth and development.